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SUBJ: KAUNDA VISIT: MARK CHONA TO CONSULT IN THE UNITED STATES

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1. PRESIDENTIAL ADVISER MARK CHONA TOLD THE CHARGE APRIL 19
THAT HE WOULD BE IN WASHINGTON APRIL 24-26 TO DISCUSS ARRANGE-
MENT FOR PRESIDENT KAUNDA'S VISIT AND POLICY MATTERS. HE SAID
HE HOPED IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE FOR ARRANGEMENTS TO BE MADE FOR

HIM TO MEET WITH APPROPRIATE DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS. HE ALSO PLANS
TO GO TO NEW YORK WHERE HE WOULD LIKE TO TALK WITH AMBASSADOR
YOUNG ABOUT ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MARTIN LUTHER KING PEACE
PRIZE.

2. WITHOUT GOING INTO DETAILS AND IN HIS SOMEWHAT ELLIPTICAL
FASHION CHONA SAID HE ALSO WANTED TO DISCUSS WITH DEPARTMENT
OFFICIALS HOW ZAMBIA COULD BE HELPFUL TO PRESIDENT CARTER IN
HIS EFFORTS TO CARRY OUT HIS AFRICAN POLICY. HE NOTED HOW MUCH
REGARD PRESIDENT KAUNDA HAD FOR PRESIDENT CARTER AS A MAN
WHO SHARES HIS IDEALS.

3. CHONA HAD TWO SPECIFIC SUGGESTIONS RE KAUNDA'S PROGRAM:
1) HE SHOULD AT SOME POINT DURING HIS VISIT SEE ARTHUR HOUGHTON
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AND HENRY FORD, AND 2) HE SHOULD VISIT A RANCH. HE SAID KAUNDA
WAS INTERESTED IN STIMULATING AMERICAN INVESTMENT IN LARGE
SCALE ZAMBIAN AGRICULTURAL VENTURES. THESE AREAS OF INTEREST
SHOULD BE EXPLORED FURTHER WITH CHONA DURING HIS WASHINGTON
VISIT.

4. CHARGE MENTIONED TO CHONA THAT THERE APPEARED TO BE A SERIOUS

PROBLEM ABOUT THE YALE HONORARY DEGREE. CHONA IMMEDIATELY
REPLIED THAT THIS WAS NOT A CAUSE OF CONCERN TO HIM AND THE
PRESIDENT. THEY RECOGNIZED THAT YALE HAD MADE THE DEGREE AVAIL-
ABLE TWO YEARS RUNNING AND UNDERSTOOD THAT IT MIGHT NOT BE
AVAILABLE A THIRD YEAR. AS FOR CHONA AND THE PRESIDENT,
THE IMPORTANT THING IN THEIR VIEW IS TO MAKE THE WASHINGTON
STOP SUCCESSFUL.
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